

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect the invention of Group II directed to Claims 15-28.

In view of the above election, Applicants by preliminary amendment request that Claims 1-14 and 29-34 be canceled. Cancellation of 1-14 and 29-34 is without prejudice to pursuing the subject matter of these claims in a divisional application. In addition, Applicants have introduced new Claims 35-38 which depend ultimately from Claim 15.

If the reviewing party has any questions regarding the above he is invited to call Applicants attorney at the number listed below so that any outstanding issues can be resolved in a timely and efficient manner.

Respectfully submitted,

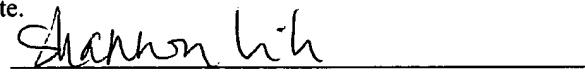
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